

## Comparison of Irish and British abortion rates - and how our pro-life laws have saved 250,000 babies

BRITAIN	LIVE BIRTHS & STILLBIRTHS	England/ Wales Abortions Resident	TOTAL PREGNANCIES	Abortion rate in E/W	IRELAND	LIVE BIRTHS & STILLBIRTHS	Women travelling to Britain for abortions	Total Pregnancies	Irish Abortion Rate	Estimated number of abortions if UK rate applied to Irish Pregnancies	Difference = estimated Irish Babies saved
1984	640461	136388	776849	18%	1984	64575	3948	68523	6%	12,030	8,082
1985	660062	141101	801163	18%	1985	62875	3888	66763	6%	11,758	7,870
1986	664477	147619	812096	18%	1986	62075	3918	65993	6%	11,996	8,078
1987	684934	156191	841125	19%	1987	58875	3673	62548	6%	11,615	7,942
1988	696959	168298	865257	19%	1988	55075	3838	58913	7%	11,459	7,621
1989	690961	170463	861424	20%	1989	52475	3721	56196	7%	11,120	7,399
1990	709402	173900	883302	20%	1990	53404	4063	57467	7%	11,314	7,251
1991	702471	167376	869847	19%	1991	53078	4154	57232	7%	11,013	6,859
1992	692600	160501	853101	19%	1992	51449	4247	55696	8%	10,479	6,232
1993	677322	157846	835168	19%	1993	49664	4399	54063	8%	10,218	5,819
1994	668539	156539	825078	19%	1994	48615	4590	53205	9%	10,094	5,504
1995	651738	154315	806053	19%	1995	49147	4532	53679	8%	10,277	5,745
1996	653024	167916	820940	20%	1996	51015	4894	55909	9%	11,436	6,542
1997	646534	170145	816679	21%	1997	53135	5336	58471	9%	12,182	6,846
1998	639318	177871	817189	22%	1998	54329	5891	60220	10%	13,108	7,217
1999	625177	173701	798878	22%	1999	54284	6226	60510	10%	13,157	6,931
2000	607644	175542	783186	22%	2000	55149	6391	61540	10%	13,793	7,402
2001	597793	176364	774157	23%	2001	58214	6673	64887	10%	14,782	8,109
2002	599494	175932	775426	23%	2002	60863	6522	67385	10%	15,289	8,767
2003	625081	181582	806663	23%	2003	61889	6320	68209	9%	15,354	9,034
2004	643407	185713	829120	22%	2004	62332	6217	68549	9%	15,354	9,137
2005	649318	186416	835734	22%	2005	61732	5585	67317	8%	15,016	9,431
2006	673203	193737	866940	22%	2006	65785	5042	70827	7%	15,828	10,786
2007	693611	198499	892110	22%	2007	71749	4686	76435	6%	17,007	12,321
2008	712328	195296	907624	22%	2008	75533	4600	80133	6%	17,242	12,642
2009	709936	189100	899036	21%	2009	75914	4422	80336	6%	16,898	12,476
2010	726879	189574	916453	21%	2010	75534	4402	79936	6%	16,535	12,133
2011	727724	189931	917655	21%	2011	74393	4149	78542	5%	16,256	12,107
2012	733232	185122	918354	20%	2012	72585	3982	76567	5%	15,434	11,452
2013	701796	185331	887127	21%	2013	69290	3679	72969	5%	15,244	11,565
2014	698487	184571	883058	21%	2014	67822	3735	71557	5%	14,956	11,221
							<b>147,723</b>			<b>418,243</b>	<b>270,520</b>

*An estimate of 250,000 babies saved errs on the side of caution in recognising that a small number of Irish women travel to other jurisdictions for abortions.*

British abortion figures - <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/abortion-statistics-england-and-wales-2014>

British Births and Still births : <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/publications/re-reference-tables.html?edition=tcn%3A77-370345>

Irish abortion figures - British DOH reports

Irish births and stillbirths - CSO